

SPORTS & HEALTH

SACHIN TENDULKAR



Introduction: Sachin Tendulkar is a former Indian cricketer, widely acknowledged as the greatest batsman of the modern generation, popularly holds the title "God of Cricket" among his fans. Given his first cricket bat at the age 11, Tendulkar was just 16 when he became India's youngest Test cricketer. He is the only player to have scored one hundred international centuries, the first batsman to score a Double Century in a One Day International, and the only player to complete more than 30,000 runs in international cricket. Brian Lara has labeled Tendulkar as the greatest cricketer of all time. The talent and genius of Sachin Tendulkar was best summed up by the legendry sir Don Bradman when he said that batting style of Sachin Tendulkar reminded him of his own youth. In September 2007, Shane Warne, the world-record breaking Australian leg spinner, rated Sachin Tendulkar as the greatest player he has played with or against. He is sometimes

referred to as the Little Master or the Master Blaster.

Early Years: Sachin Tendulkar was born April 24, 1973 in Bombay, India, to a middle-class family, the youngest of four children. His father was a professor while his mother worked for a life insurance company. Named after his family's favorite music director, Sachin Dev Burman, Tendulkar wasn't a particularly gifted student, but he'd always shown himself to be a standout athlete. At the age of 14 he scored 329 out of a world record stand of 664 in a school match. As his accomplishments grew, he became a sort of cult figure among Bombay schoolboys. After high school Tendulkar enrolled at Kirti College, where his father also taught. The fact that he decided to go to the school where his father worked was of no surprise. Tendulkar's family is very close and years after he'd achieved stardom and cricket fame, he continued to live next door to his parents.

Professional Play: Sachin Tendulkar a boy of 16 walks in to bat against the fiery attack of Waqar Younis and was hit on the head, but was continued to bat, in a blood-soaked shirt establishing his greatness, even then this little boy goes on to make half century. This boy was none other than the phenomenal Sachin Tendulkar. He made his debut in international competition with a match against Pakistan in Karachi. Sachin Tendulkar, the very name that strikes terror in the hearts of the bowlers all over the world, is regarded as the most accomplished batsman of modern day cricket. Since his debut against Pakistan in 1989, Sachin Tendulkar has been shining like a star in the international cricketing arena. Ever since Sachin made his debut, he has not looked back. Sachin has piled up runs against all teams in the world. Sachin Tendulkar is rightly hailed as the master blaster as he treats most of the bowlers with utter disdain. This man employs almost every shot

mentioned in the cricketing manuals. He is capable of tearing apart any bowling attack. The most fascinating part of Sachin's batting is that he keeps improvising the shots in his armory.

His batting is based on the purest principles: perfect balance, economy of movement, precision in stroke making, and that anticipation. There are no apparent weaknesses in Tendulkar's game. He can score all around the wicket, off both front foot and back, can tune his technique to suit every condition, temper his game to suit every situation and has made runs in all parts of the world. His century as a 19 year – old on a lightning-fast pitch at the WACA is considered one of the best innings ever to have been played in Australia.

Achievements: Sachin Tendulkar is the most prolific run scorer in one-day internationals with 18,426 runs. With a current aggregate of 15,470 Test runs, he surpassed Brian Lara's previous record tally of 11,953 runs as the highest run scorer in test matches in the second Test of Australia's 2008 tour of India in Mohali. He also holds the record of highest number of centuries in both Test (51) and ODI (49) cricket. Tendulkar scored his much awaited 100th international hundred on 16 March 2012 against Bangladesh in the Asia Cup. Throughout his career, he has made a strong impact on Indian cricket and was, at one time, the foundation of most of the team's victories.

World Cup Cricket: Tendulkar has also consistently done well in Cricket World Cups. Tendulkar was the highest run scorer of the 1996, 2003 & 2011 Cricket World Cups. In April 2011 Tendulkar chalked up another milestone when he led India to a World Cup victory, his first in his long career. During the tournament, the batsman again showed why he's one of the sport's greatest athletes by becoming the first batsman to score 2,000 runs and six centuries in World Cup play.

On 24 February 2010, Tendulkar broke the previous world record for highest individual innings in an ODI, and became the first male cricketer to score a doublecentury in one-day cricket. He made 200 runs and broke the previous record of 194 runs.

Personal Life: In 1995, Sachin married Anjali, a doctor and the daughter of Gujarati industrialist Anand Mehta. They have two children, Sara and Arjun. Tendulkar now sponsors 200 underprivileged children every year through a Mumbai-based NGO.

Honours & Awards: Today Tendulkar is a national icon to fans all over the world. He has been granted the highest Indian's civilian award – Bharat Ratna along with the Padma Vibhushan, Padma Shri, Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, Arjuna Award, Padma Vibhushan by the Indian government. On 10 October 2013 Tendulkar announced that he would retire from all cricket after the two-Test series against West Indies.

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About N.R.Narayana Murthy: Narayana Murthy is an Indian IT industrialist and the co-founder of Infosys, a multinational corporation providing business consulting, technology, engineering, and outsourcing services. He was born on August 20, 1946 in Karnataka, India. He started Infosys in 1981 and served as its CEO from 1981 to 2002 and as chairman from 2002 to 2011. In 2011, he stepped down from the board and became Chairman Emeritus. An Honorary Doctorate was conferred on him on the occasion of JNTUH convocation which was held on 7th May 2012. In his convocation address, he hailed the giant strides made by the country on various fronts but rued that lakhs of Indians are still mired in poverty, illiteracy, ill-health and malnutrition.

Introduction: N.R.Narayana Murthy emphasizes that the dreams of the founders of the nation can be realized only by maintaining the idealism, confidence, hope, energy and enthusiasm of every Indian. He hopes that thirty years from now the situation will be different. The people will have faith in the country. They will create developed India, and solve the problems of poverty, illiteracy, and ill-health. They will be respected for their achievements. Every nation will want to trade with

India. Foreign students will come to study in India. We can wipe off the tears of the poorest child as Mahatma Gandhi desired. By driving away the darkness around us, we can make India a better country for all people.

Extraordinary Aspects of India: The extraordinary India that N.R.Narayana Murthy sees has many aspects. For the first time in several hundred years India has received respect from the world community. The world has realized that India has something to contribute to the global community. Indian economy is growing at 7 percent which is the highest rate since 1947. India has also become the software center of the world. Now India's foreign exchange reserves are about 300 billion dollars. India has created the maximum number of jobs among the emerging economies. Bollywood dancing has become popular among the western youth. According to Forbes magazine, India has the highest number of billionaires in Asia. The significant changes that Murthy sees around him are that the youngsters of today will drive away the darkness around us and make India a better country for the urban, the rural, the rich, the poor, the educated and the not so well educated. The recipe for successful transformation of India has been conveyed by coach Kabir Khan and the women hockey players in the movie, *Chak De India*.

The Dark Side of India: The extraordinary optimistic side of India has its pessimistic side as well. India has made considerable strides of development in the recent times. But it is dogged by deep poverty, literacy, ill-health, malnutrition and corruption. Bright, idealistic and confident youngsters are becoming hopeless, diffident, self-seeking and unhappy by the time they reach forty years of age. The Indian political system and environment must be blamed for this situation. This is not how India can be built into a

great nation. More than 200 million Indians do not have safe drinking water. About 750 million Indians do not have sanitation facilities. Our politicians keep the people poor, illiterate, and helpless. In the Human Development Index, India is ranked low, but we rank high in corruption. Indian's record in primary and higher education is pitiful. The worst thing is that our environment is like this. Hence this way a great nation cannot be built.

Conclusion: *In order to achieve positive transformation and make India a better and happy place, a few inputs are necessary. They look simple but they are hard to follow. First of all, the people must identify themselves as Indians and rise above their narrow attachments to their states, religions and castes. These are narrow domestic walls. Only merit must be taken into consideration. Whatever the role people get, they must play it with enthusiasm. The people must inculcate strict discipline. Then only they will get success. They must get rid of their biases. They must realize that the interests of the nation are foremost. They must lead others by personal example. He prays to God to give the people the required strength, determination and character to transform India into a successful nation. He was discussing exciting new developments in the field of computer science with a large group of students and how such developments would alter our future. He was articulate, passionate and quite convincing.*